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CELL, AND METHOD OF MANUFACTURING ELECTROLYTE LAYER FOR FUEL CELL

RESPONSE TO STATUS INQUIRY

This communication is in response to the 16 February 2007 request for the status of the notification of acceptance and filing receipt for the above application.

Our records show that the application is in the initial processing phase, which currently takes approximately 10-12 months. The notification of acceptance and filing receipt have not been mailed. The application will be taken up in turn and the initial processing and review will be completed in due course.

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